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The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) rose 0.4 percent before seasonal adjustment in June to a level of 140.2 (1982-84=100), the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported today. For the 12-month period ended in June, the CPI-U increased 3.1 percent.

The Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) rose 0.4 percent in June prior to seasonal adjustment. The June 1992 CPI-W level of 138.1 was 3.0 percent higher than the index in June 1991.

CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI-U rose 0.3 percent in June, following increases of 0.2 and 0.1 percent in April and May, respectively. A substantial increase in energy prices and an upturn in the food index were responsible for the somewhat larger advance than in the 2 preceding months. Excluding food and energy, the CPI-U rose 0.2 percent in June, the same as in May.

Table A. Percent changes in CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)

Expenditure category	Seasonally adjusted							Unadjusted 12-mos. ended June '92	
	Changes from preceding month						Compound annual rate 3-mos. ended June '92		
	1991	1992							
	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May			June
All items	.2	.1	.3	.5	.2	.1	.3	2.6	3.1
Food and beverages	.3	-.4	.3	.5	.0	-.3	.1	-.9	.4
Housing	.3	.2	.2	.4	.1	.1	.4	3.0	3.2
Apparel and upkeep	-1.1	.3	1.5	.6	-.7	.4	-.2	-2.1	3.2
Transportation	.2	-.3	-.2	.7	.5	.3	.5	5.2	2.6
Medical care	.7	.7	.8	.5	.5	.5	.4	6.1	7.5
Entertainment	-.4	.1	.4	.4	.6	.0	.0	2.3	2.8
Other goods and services	.6	.3	.5	.5	.7	.7	.2	6.4	6.8
Special indexes:									
Energy	.1	-1.5	-.9	.6	.4	.6	2.0	12.5	2.3
Food	.3	-.4	.3	.5	-.1	-.4	.1	-1.2	.1
All items less food and energy	.2	.3	.4	.5	.3	.2	.2	2.8	3.8

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Consumer prices rose at a seasonally adjusted annual rate (SAAR) of 2.6 percent in the second quarter after advancing at a 3.5 percent rate in the first 3 months of 1992. This brought the year-to-date annual rate to 3.1 percent, the same as that for all of 1991. While the overall rates are the same, the composition of the increases is somewhat different. Energy prices have rebounded in 1992, albeit moderately, after declining 7.4 percent in 1991. The 2.4 percent rate through the first half of 1992 reflects a 4.3 percent annual rate of increase in petroleum-based energy prices, which had declined 16.1 percent in 1991. Charges for energy services have risen at a 0.4 percent annual rate in the first 6 months of 1992. The food component, which registered its smallest increase in 15 years in 1991, has been virtually stable thus far in 1992. Grocery store food prices have declined through the first 6 months, with decreases in the indexes for fresh fruits and vegetables and meats, poultry, fish, and eggs more than offsetting moderate price increases for most other grocery store foods.

The change in the index for all items less food and energy has continued to slow since 1990. The 3.8 percent rate in the first half of 1992, if maintained, would be the smallest increase in this component since 1986. While the moderation since 1990 has been broad-based, the deceleration in the shelter and medical care components has been particularly notable.

	Percent changes 12 months ended in December									SAAR 6 months ended in June
	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992
All Items	3.8	3.9	3.8	1.1	4.4	4.4	4.6	6.1	3.1	3.1
Food and beverages	2.7	3.8	2.8	3.7	3.5	5.1	5.5	5.3	2.5	.4
Housing	3.5	4.3	4.3	1.7	3.7	4.0	3.9	4.5	3.4	3.1
Apparel and upkeep	2.9	2.0	2.8	.9	4.8	4.7	1.0	5.1	3.4	3.7
Transportation	3.9	3.1	2.6	-5.9	6.1	3.0	4.0	10.4	-1.5	3.1
Medical care	6.4	6.1	6.8	7.7	5.8	6.9	8.5	9.6	7.9	7.2
Entertainment	4.0	4.2	3.1	3.4	4.0	4.6	5.1	4.3	3.9	3.0
Other goods and services	7.9	6.0	6.3	5.5	6.1	7.0	8.2	7.6	8.0	5.8
Special indexes:										
Energy	-.5	.2	1.8	-19.7	8.2	.5	5.1	18.1	-7.4	2.4
Food	2.7	3.8	2.6	3.8	3.5	5.2	5.6	5.3	1.9	.1
All Items less food and energy	4.8	4.7	4.3	3.8	4.2	4.7	4.4	5.2	4.4	3.8

The food and beverage component rose 0.1 percent in June. Grocery store food prices, which declined in April and May, also rose 0.1 percent in June after seasonal adjustment. The index for fruits and vegetables, which had been primarily responsible for these decreases, continued to fall in June, but by less than in the preceding 2 months. The index for meats, poultry, fish, and eggs turned down in June, declining 0.2 percent. Decreases in the indexes for pork, eggs, and fish and seafood more than offset increases in beef and poultry prices. The indexes for cereal and bakery products and dairy products each rose 0.6 percent in June. The increase in the latter group was its first advance since January. The other two components of the food and beverages index--restaurant meals and alcoholic beverages--rose 0.2 and declined 0.1 percent, respectively.

The housing component, which rose 0.1 percent in May, advanced 0.4 percent in June. While all three major housing groups contributed to the larger advance, most of the acceleration was accounted for by a 0.5 percent rise in shelter costs. Within shelter, renters' costs rose 0.6 percent and homeowners' costs, 0.4 percent, while maintenance and repair costs increased 0.3 percent. The increase in renters' costs reflected a 1.6 percent jump in the index for lodging while out of town. Residential rents rose 0.1 percent in June. The index for household fuels and utilities rose 0.3 percent, following a 0.2 percent increase in May. The index for household fuels rose 0.8 percent, reflecting increases in prices for fuel oil and natural gas--up 3.2 and 1.3 percent, respectively. The index for electricity rose 0.3 percent, following seasonal adjustment. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, these charges rose 5.5 percent.) The index for other utilities and public services declined slightly as a 0.7 percent drop in charges for telephone services more than offset increases in the indexes for water and sewerage maintenance, refuse collection, and cable television. The index for household furnishings and operation, which declined slightly in May, increased 0.3 percent in June, largely as a result of a 1.2 percent rise in housekeeping services.

The transportation index rose 0.5 percent in June, following a 0.3 percent rise in May. A substantial increase in motor fuel prices was partially offset by a sharp decline in the cost of public transportation. The index for gasoline rose 3.2 percent in June and has increased 5.5 percent since turning up in March. Despite the recent increases, as of June, gasoline prices were still 14.0 percent lower than their peak level of November 1990. New vehicle purchase costs continued to increase moderately. The index for new vehicles increased 0.2 percent and automobile finance charges rose 0.1 percent. The increase in automobile finance charges was the first advance since February 1991. Used car prices increased substantially for the third consecutive month--up 1.2 percent in June and 4.9 percent since March. The decline in public transportation costs reflected a 6.5 percent drop in airline fares.

The index for apparel and upkeep, which increased 0.4 percent in May, fell 0.2 percent in June. (Prior to seasonal adjustment, the index declined 1.6 percent.) End of season markdowns, especially women's and girl's apparel, were largely responsible for the decline.

The medical care component rose 0.4 percent in June--its smallest increase since November 1988--to a level 7.5 percent above a year ago. The index for medical care commodities increased 0.2 percent. The index for medical care services rose 0.5 percent. Within medical care services, the cost of professional services increased 0.3 percent while hospital and related services advanced 0.8 percent.

Entertainment costs were unchanged in June for the second consecutive month. Declines in the indexes for sporting goods and equipment, fees for participant sports, and admissions to movies, theaters, concerts, and sporting events offset small increases in most other entertainment components.

The index for other goods and services rose 0.2 percent in June, following advances of 0.7 percent in each of the 2 preceding months. An increase in tuition fees was partially offset by declines in prices for personal care and tobacco and smoking products.

CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)

On a seasonally adjusted basis, the CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers also rose 0.3 percent in June.

Table B. Percent changes in CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)

Expenditure category	Seasonally adjusted								Unadjusted 12-mos. ended June '92
	Changes from preceding month							Compound annual rate 3-mos. ended June '92	
	1991	1992							
	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June		
All items	.2	.0	.2	.5	.2	.1	.3	2.7	3.0
Food and beverages	.4	-.4	.3	.6	.0	-.4	.1	-1.2	.4
Housing	.2	.3	.2	.3	.2	.1	.4	2.7	3.1
Apparel and upkeep	-.9	.5	1.1	.9	-.8	.3	-.2	-2.7	3.3
Transportation	.1	-.5	-.2	.6	.6	.4	.6	7.0	2.8
Medical care	.7	.6	.9	.5	.6	.4	.5	6.1	7.6
Entertainment	-.2	.1	.4	.4	.6	.0	.0	2.3	2.8
Other goods and services	.5	.2	.6	.5	.5	1.0	.1	6.4	6.6
Special indexes:									
Energy	.1	-1.8	-.5	.5	.3	.7	1.9	12.1	2.3
Food	.3	-.4	.3	.6	-.1	-.4	.1	-1.4	.1
All items less food and energy	.1	.4	.4	.4	.3	.3	.1	2.8	3.7

Consumer Price Index data for July 1992 will be released on Thursday August 13, 1992, 8:30 A.M. (EDT).

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Brief Explanation of the CPI

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average change in prices over time in a fixed market basket of goods and services. The Bureau of Labor Statistics publishes CPIs for two population groups: (1) a CPI for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) which covers approximately 80 percent of the total population and (2) a CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) which covers 32 percent of the total population. The CPI-U includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups such as professional, managerial, and technical workers, the self-employed, short-term workers, the unemployed, and retirees and others not in the labor force.

The CPI is based on prices of food, clothing, shelter, and fuels, transportation fares, charges for doctors' and dentists' services, drugs, and the other goods and services that people buy for day-to-day living. Prices are collected in 85 urban areas across the country from about 57,000 housing units and approximately 19,000 retail establishments-department stores, supermarkets, hospitals, filling stations, and other types of stores and service establishments. All taxes directly associated with the purchase and use of items are included in the index. Prices of food, fuels and a few other items are obtained every month in all 85 locations. Prices of most other commodities and services are collected every month in the five largest geographic areas and every other month in other areas. Prices of most goods and services are obtained by personal visits of the Bureau's trained representatives. Mail questionnaires are used to obtain public utility rates, some fuel prices, and certain other items.

In calculating the index, price changes for the various items in each location are averaged together with weights which represent their importance in the spending of the appropriate population group. Local data are then combined to obtain a U.S. city average. Separate indexes are also published by size of city, by region of the country, for cross-classifications of regions and population-size classes, and for 29 local areas. Area indexes do not measure differences in the level of prices among cities, they only measure the average change in prices for each area since the base period.

The index measures price change from a designated reference date--1982-84 which equals 100.0. An increase of 16.5 percent, for example, is shown as 116.5. This change can also be expressed in dollars as follows: the price of a base period "market basket" of goods and services in the CPI has risen from \$10 in 1982-84 to \$11.65.

For further details see BLS Handbook of Methods, Chapter 19, the Consumer Price Index, Bulletin 2285, April 1988.

Calculating Index Changes

Movements of the indexes from one month to another are usually expressed as percent changes rather than changes in index points, because index point changes are affected by the level of the index in relation to its base period while percent changes are not. The example in the accompanying box illustrates the computation of index point and percent changes.

Percent changes for 3-month and 6-month periods are expressed as annual rates and are computed according to the standard formula for compound growth rates. These data indicate what the percent change would be if the current rate were maintained for a 12-month period.

Index Point Change

CPI	115.7
Less previous index	111.2
Equals index point change	4.5

Percent Change

Index point difference	4.5
Divided by the previous index	111.2
Equals	0.040
Results multiplied by one hundred	0.040x100
Equals percent change	4.0

A Note on Seasonally Adjusted and Unadjusted Data

Because price data are used for different purposes by different groups, the Bureau of Labor Statistics publishes seasonally adjusted as well as unadjusted changes each month.

For analyzing general price trends in the economy, seasonally adjusted changes are usually preferred since they eliminate the effect of changes that normally occur at the same time and in about the same magnitude every year--such as price movements resulting from changing climatic conditions, production cycles, model changeovers, holidays, and sales.

The unadjusted data are of primary interest to consumers concerned about the prices they actually pay. Unadjusted data also are used extensively for escalation purposes. Many collective bargaining contract agreements and pension plans, for example, tie compensation changes to the Consumer Price Index unadjusted for seasonal variation.

In most cases, seasonal factors used in computing the seasonally adjusted indexes are derived by the X-11-ARIMA Seasonal Adjustment Method. The updated seasonal data at the end of 1977 replaced data from 1967 through 1977. Subsequent annual updates have replaced 5 years of seasonal data, e.g., data from 1987 through 1991 were replaced at the end of 1991. The seasonal movement of all items and 47 other aggregations is derived by combining the seasonal movement of 60 selected components. Each year the seasonal status of every series is reevaluated based upon certain statistical criteria. If any of the 60 components change their seasonal adjustment status from seasonally adjusted to not seasonally adjusted, not seasonally adjusted data will be used for the last 5 years, but the seasonally adjusted indexes will be used before that period.

Effective with the calculation of the seasonal factors for 1990, the Bureau of Labor Statistics has used an enhanced seasonal adjustment procedure called intervention analysis in conjunction with X-11-ARIMA for some CPI series. Intervention analysis allows for better estimates of seasonally adjusted data. Extreme values and/or sharp movements which might distort the seasonal pattern are removed from the data prior to calculation of seasonal factors in X-11-ARIMA.

For the fuel oil and the motor fuels indexes, this procedure was used to offset the effects that extreme price volatility would otherwise have had on the estimates of seasonally adjusted data for those series. For some women's apparel indexes and the girls' apparel index, the procedure was used to offset the effects of changes in pricing methodology; for new cars, new trucks, and new vehicles, this procedure was used to offset the effects of changes in marketing strategies and the introduction of new models. For the tobacco and smoking products index, this procedure was used to offset the effects of increases in excise taxes and wholesale tobacco prices. For some alcoholic beverage series, intervention was used to offset the effects of excise tax increases.

An alternative to the intervention-adjusted X-11-ARIMA procedure is the state space model-based seasonal adjustment method. This method adjusts simultaneously for interventions and seasonal effects, rather than sequentially as in the X-11-ARIMA methodology, using structural statistical models with explanatory variables. The state space structural model-based method of seasonal adjustment was introduced in 1992 for the adjustment of January 1991-December 1991 indexes for three Women's apparel series: Dresses, Separates and sportswear, and Suits.

A description of intervention analysis, as well as a list of events treated as interventions and seasonal factors for these items may be obtained by writing the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Division of Consumer Prices and Price Indexes, Washington, DC 20212 or by calling Claire McAnaw on (202)504-2051.

Table 1. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted

CPI-U Expenditure category	Relative importance, December 1991	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to June 1992 from		Seasonally adjusted percent change from		
		May 1992	June 1992	June 1991	May 1992	Mar. to Apr. to	Apr. to May to	May to June to
All items	100.000	139.7	140.3	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
All items (1967=100)	-	418.6	419.9	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	27.637	138.3	138.3	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Food	26.007	137.1	137.1	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Food at home	18.923	135.6	135.6	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Cereals and bakery products 1/	1.436	135.0	135.0	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	3.030	132.7	132.7	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Dairy products 1/	2.229	132.7	132.7	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Fruits and vegetables	1.854	132.7	132.7	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other food at home	1.382	132.7	132.7	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Sugar and sweets 1/	0.444	132.7	132.7	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Fats and oils 1/	0.260	132.7	132.7	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Nonalcoholic beverages	0.739	132.7	132.7	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other prepared food	0.339	132.7	132.7	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Food away from home 1/	0.885	140.3	140.3	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Alcoholic beverages	0.000	140.3	140.3	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Housing	42.544	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Shelter	27.894	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Renters' costs 1/	18.003	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Rent, roomers' cost 1/	0.835	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Other renters' costs 1/	0.165	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Homeowners' costs 2/	9.541	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Owners' equivalent rent 1/	0.303	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Household insurance 1/ 2/	0.180	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Maintenance and repairs 1/	0.208	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Maintenance and repair commodities 1/	0.135	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Fuel and other utilities	0.083	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Fuels	0.057	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Fuel oil and other household fuel	0.419	89.8	90.1	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.8	2.6
Gas (piped) and electricity (wired) services 1/	3.638	113.0	117.4	3.9	3.9	2.7	0.0	2.6
Other utilities and public services 1/	3.270	113.0	117.4	3.9	3.9	2.7	0.0	2.6
Household furnishings and operation 1/	0.323	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Housefurnishings 1/	0.323	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Housekeeping supplies 1/	0.154	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Housekeeping services 1/	0.469	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Apparel and upkeep	6.097	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Apparel commodities	0.535	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Men's and boys' apparel	0.535	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Women's and girls' apparel	0.535	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Infants' and toddlers' apparel 1/	0.218	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Footwear	0.800	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Other apparel commodities 1/	0.550	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Apparel services 1/	0.562	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Transportation	17.013	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Private transportation	10.533	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
New vehicles	0.052	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Used cars	0.052	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Motor fuel	0.303	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Gasoline	0.303	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Maintenance and repairs 1/	0.520	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Other private transportation	0.533	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Other private transportation commodities 1/	0.678	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Services	3.855	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Public transportation 1/	0.490	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Medical care	6.689	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Medical care commodities	0.213	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Medical care services	0.213	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Professional medical services	0.213	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Entertainment 1/	4.357	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Entertainment commodities 1/	0.078	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Entertainment services 1/	0.330	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Other goods and services	6.674	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Tobacco and smoking products	0.000	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Personal care 1/	0.187	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Toilet goods and personal care appliances 1/	0.432	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Personal care services 1/	0.555	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Personal and educational expenses	3.822	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
School books and supplies	0.573	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Personal and educational services	3.249	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Commodity and service group								
All items	100.000	139.7	140.3	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Commodities	44.487	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Food and beverages	27.637	138.3	138.3	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Commodities less food and beverages	16.850	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Nondurables less food and beverages 1/	3.515	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Apparel commodities	0.535	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel 1/	10.689	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Durables	10.636	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Services	17.013	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Rent of shelter 1/ 2/	0.835	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Household services less rent of shelter 2/	8.915	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Transportation services	6.864	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Medical care services	6.433	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Other services	7.027	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Special indexes								
All items less food	83.993	140.3	140.3	3.0	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
All items less shelter	80.517	140.3	140.3	3.0	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
All items less homeowners' costs 2/	93.113	140.3	140.3	3.0	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
All items less medical care	93.113	140.3	140.3	3.0	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Commodities less food	16.850	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Nondurables less food 1/	3.515	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Nondurables less food and apparel 1/	10.689	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Nondurables	10.636	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Services less rent of shelter 2/	8.915	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Services less medical care services	6.433	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Energy	2.761	102.4	102.4	3.0	3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
All items less energy	92.439	140.3	140.3	3.0	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
All items less food and energy	79.633	140.3	140.3	3.0	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Commodities less food and energy	24.757	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Energy commodities	24.757	139.7	139.7	3.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Services less energy services	51.676	140.3	140.3	3.0	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
Purchasing power of the consumer dollar:								
1982-84=1.00 1/	-	0.716	0.713	-3.0	-0.4	-0.1	-0.1	-0.4
1967-81.00 1/	-	0.239	0.238	-	-	-	-	-

1/ Not seasonally adjusted.
2/ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.
Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 2. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Seasonally adjusted U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group
(1982-84-100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-U	Seasonally adjusted indexes					Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for				
	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	Sept.	3 months ended-	June	6 months ended-	June	
	1992	1992	1992	1992	1991	Dec. 1991	1992	1992	1991	1992
Expenditure category										
All items	-	-	-	-	3.0	3.2	3.5	2.6	3.1	3.1
Food and beverages	136.5	136.5	136.5	136.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food	137.9	137.9	137.9	137.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food at home	137.7	137.7	137.7	137.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cereals and bakery products 1/	149.7	150.8	150.8	150.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	130.7	130.7	130.7	130.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dairy products 1/	127.8	127.8	127.8	127.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fruits and vegetables	129.3	129.3	129.3	129.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other food at home	128.3	128.3	128.3	128.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sugar and sweets 1/	129.3	129.3	129.3	129.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fats and oils 1/	129.3	129.3	129.3	129.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nonalcoholic beverages	129.3	129.3	129.3	129.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other prepared food	129.3	129.3	129.3	129.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food away from home 1/	140.2	140.2	140.2	140.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Alcoholic beverages	146.5	146.5	146.5	146.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Housing	135.5	135.5	135.5	135.5	3.0	3.6	3.3	3.0	3.3	3.1
Shelter	150.0	150.0	150.0	150.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Renters' costs 2/	158.9	158.9	158.9	158.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rent, residential	146.4	146.4	146.4	146.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other renters' costs	158.9	158.9	158.9	158.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Homeowners' costs	158.9	158.9	158.9	158.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Owners' equivalent rent 2/	141.0	141.0	141.0	141.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Household insurance 1/ 2/	128.4	128.4	128.4	128.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maintenance and repairs 1/	128.4	128.4	128.4	128.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maintenance and repair services 1/	128.4	128.4	128.4	128.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maintenance and repair commodities 1/	128.4	128.4	128.4	128.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fuel and other utilities	105.5	105.5	105.5	105.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fuel	105.5	105.5	105.5	105.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fuel oil and other household fuel	88.4	88.4	88.4	88.4	6.8	4.4	-18.7	14.8	5.6	-1.4
Utilities	113.0	113.0	113.0	113.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy	113.0	113.0	113.0	113.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other utilities and public services	113.0	113.0	113.0	113.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Household furnishings and operation 1/	109.4	109.4	109.4	109.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Household furnishings 1/	109.4	109.4	109.4	109.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Housekeeping supplies	128.6	128.6	128.6	128.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Housekeeping services 1/	130.3	130.3	130.3	130.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Apparel and upkeep	132.7	132.7	132.7	132.7	2.1	2.2	2.9	2.1	2.8	3.7
Apparel commodities	132.7	132.7	132.7	132.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Men's and boys' apparel	132.7	132.7	132.7	132.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Women's and girls' apparel	132.7	132.7	132.7	132.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Infants and toddlers' apparel 1/	132.7	132.7	132.7	132.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Footwear	132.7	132.7	132.7	132.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other apparel commodities	132.7	132.7	132.7	132.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Apparel services 1/	132.7	132.7	132.7	132.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transportation	122.1	122.1	122.1	122.1	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2
Private transportation	122.1	122.1	122.1	122.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
New vehicles	122.1	122.1	122.1	122.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
New cars	122.1	122.1	122.1	122.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Used cars	122.1	122.1	122.1	122.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Motor fuel	96.6	96.6	96.6	96.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gasoline	96.6	96.6	96.6	96.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maintenance and repairs 1/	122.1	122.1	122.1	122.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other private transportation	122.1	122.1	122.1	122.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other private transportation	122.1	122.1	122.1	122.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Public transportation 1/	122.1	122.1	122.1	122.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Medical care	187.0	187.0	187.0	187.0	2.9	2.5	2.3	2.1	2.2	2.2
Medical care commodities	187.0	187.0	187.0	187.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Medical care services	187.0	187.0	187.0	187.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Professional medical services	187.0	187.0	187.0	187.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Entertainment 1/	141.2	141.2	141.2	141.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2
Entertainment commodities 1/	141.2	141.2	141.2	141.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Entertainment services 1/	141.2	141.2	141.2	141.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other goods and services	180.4	180.4	180.4	180.4	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2
Tobacco and smoking products	180.4	180.4	180.4	180.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Personal care 1/	180.4	180.4	180.4	180.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Toilet goods and personal care	180.4	180.4	180.4	180.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Personal care services 1/	180.4	180.4	180.4	180.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Personal and educational expenses	180.4	180.4	180.4	180.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
School books and supplies	180.4	180.4	180.4	180.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Personal and educational services	180.4	180.4	180.4	180.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Commodity and service group										
All items	-	-	-	-	3.0	3.2	3.5	2.6	3.1	3.1
Commodities	128.5	128.5	128.5	128.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food and beverages	136.5	136.5	136.5	136.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Commodities less food and beverages	123.3	123.3	123.3	123.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nondurables less food and beverages 1/	123.3	123.3	123.3	123.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Apparel commodities	130.3	130.3	130.3	130.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nondurables less food, beverages,	130.3	130.3	130.3	130.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
and apparel 1/	128.8	128.8	128.8	128.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Durables	128.8	128.8	128.8	128.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Services	150.7	150.7	150.7	150.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rent of shelter 2/	150.7	150.7	150.7	150.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Household services less rent	128.4	128.4	128.4	128.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transportation services	128.4	128.4	128.4	128.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Medical care services	187.0	187.0	187.0	187.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other services	187.0	187.0	187.0	187.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Special indexes										
All items less food	139.5	139.5	139.5	139.5	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2
All items less shelter	139.5	139.5	139.5	139.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
All items less homeowners' costs 2/	139.5	139.5	139.5	139.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
All items less medical care	139.5	139.5	139.5	139.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Commodities less food	123.3	123.3	123.3	123.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nondurables less food	123.3	123.3	123.3	123.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nondurables less food and apparel 1/	123.3	123.3	123.3	123.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nondurables 1/	123.3	123.3	123.3	123.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Services less rent of shelter 2/	150.7	150.7	150.7	150.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Services less medical care services	187.0	187.0	187.0	187.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Energy	100.2	100.2	100.2	100.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
All items less energy	146.4	146.4	146.4	146.4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Commodities less food and energy	131.8	131.8	131.8	131.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Energy commodities	95.8	95.8	95.8	95.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Services less energy services	154.6	154.6	154.6	154.6	-	-	-	-	-	-

1/ Not seasonally adjusted.
2/ Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.
Data not available.
NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 3. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers: Selected areas, all items index
(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-U	Area	Pricing schedule 1/	Indexes				Percent change to June 1992 from-			Percent change to May 1992 from-		
			Mar 1992	Apr 1992	May 1992	June 1992	June 1991	Mar 1992	May 1992	Mar 1991	Mar 1992	Apr 1992
U.S. city average		M	139.3	139.5	139.7	140.2	3.1	0.5	0.4	3.0	0.3	0.1
Region and area size 2/												
Northeast urban		M	146.5	146.3	146.3	147.0	3.0	.5	.5	3.0	.7	.0
Size A - More than 1,200,000		M	146.5	146.3	146.3	147.0	3.0	.5	.5	3.0	.7	.0
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000		M	146.5	146.3	146.3	147.0	3.0	.5	.5	3.0	.7	.0
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000		M	146.5	146.3	146.3	147.0	3.0	.5	.5	3.0	.7	.0
North Central urban		M	134.8	135.3	135.5	136.0	2.2	.7	.6	2.2	.5	.3
Size A - More than 1,200,000		M	134.8	135.3	135.5	136.0	2.2	.7	.6	2.2	.5	.3
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000		M	134.8	135.3	135.5	136.0	2.2	.7	.6	2.2	.5	.3
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000		M	134.8	135.3	135.5	136.0	2.2	.7	.6	2.2	.5	.3
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)		M	130.0	130.3	130.4	131.0	2.4	.5	.5	2.0	.3	.1
South urban		M	135.5	135.9	136.2	136.7	2.2	.6	.6	2.2	.5	.3
Size A - More than 1,200,000		M	135.5	135.9	136.2	136.7	2.2	.6	.6	2.2	.5	.3
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000		M	135.5	135.9	136.2	136.7	2.2	.6	.6	2.2	.5	.3
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000		M	135.5	135.9	136.2	136.7	2.2	.6	.6	2.2	.5	.3
Size D - Nonmetropolitan (less than 50,000)		M	133.6	134.1	134.0	134.0	2.1	.1	.0	2.6	.3	.1
West urban		M	146.1	146.3	146.5	147.0	3.0	.5	.5	3.0	.7	.0
Size A - More than 1,200,000		M	146.1	146.3	146.5	147.0	3.0	.5	.5	3.0	.7	.0
Size B - 500,000 to 1,200,000		M	146.1	146.3	146.5	147.0	3.0	.5	.5	3.0	.7	.0
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000		M	146.1	146.3	146.5	147.0	3.0	.5	.5	3.0	.7	.0
Size classes												
A 3/		M	146.7	146.8	146.8	147.0	3.0	.5	.5	3.0	.7	.0
B		M	146.7	146.8	146.8	147.0	3.0	.5	.5	3.0	.7	.0
C		M	146.7	146.8	146.8	147.0	3.0	.5	.5	3.0	.7	.0
D		M	146.7	146.8	146.8	147.0	3.0	.5	.5	3.0	.7	.0
Selected local areas												
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI		M	139.7	139.8	140.5	141.3	3.0	1.0	.5	2.1	.5	.1
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA		M	146.5	146.3	146.3	147.0	3.0	.5	.5	3.0	.7	.0
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island N.Y.-N.J.-Ct		M	146.5	146.3	146.3	147.0	3.0	.5	.5	3.0	.7	.0
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD		M	146.5	146.3	146.3	147.0	3.0	.5	.5	3.0	.7	.0
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA		M	141.9	141.8	141.9	142.0	2.2	.1	.0	2.2	.1	.0
Baltimore, MD		M	139.7	139.8	140.5	141.3	3.0	1.0	.5	2.1	.5	.1
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH		M	139.7	139.8	140.5	141.3	3.0	1.0	.5	2.1	.5	.1
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH		M	139.7	139.8	140.5	141.3	3.0	1.0	.5	2.1	.5	.1
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL		M	139.7	139.8	140.5	141.3	3.0	1.0	.5	2.1	.5	.1
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL		M	139.7	139.8	140.5	141.3	3.0	1.0	.5	2.1	.5	.1
Washington, DC-MD-VA		M	139.7	139.8	140.5	141.3	3.0	1.0	.5	2.1	.5	.1
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX		M	139.7	139.8	140.5	141.3	3.0	1.0	.5	2.1	.5	.1
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI		M	139.7	139.8	140.5	141.3	3.0	1.0	.5	2.1	.5	.1
Houston-Galveston-Beaumont, TX		M	139.7	139.8	140.5	141.3	3.0	1.0	.5	2.1	.5	.1
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA		M	139.7	139.8	140.5	141.3	3.0	1.0	.5	2.1	.5	.1

1/ Foods, fuels, and several other items priced every month in all areas; most other goods and services priced as indicated:

M - Every month.
1 - January, March, May, July, September, and November.
2 - February, April, June, August, October, and December.
3/ Regions are defined as the four Census regions.
c Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.
d Data not available.

NOTE: Local area CPI indexes are byproducts of the national CPI program. Each local index has a smaller sample size than the national index and is, therefore, subject to substantially more sampling and other measurement error. As a result, local area indexes show greater volatility than the national index, although their long-term trends are similar. Therefore, the Bureau of Labor Statistics strongly urges users to consider adopting the national average CPI for use in their escalator clauses.

Table 4. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-W	Expenditure category	Relative importance, December 1991	Unadjusted indexes		Unadjusted percent change to		Seasonally adjusted percent change from		
			May 1992	June 1992	June 1991	May 1992	Mar. to Apr.	Apr. to May	May to June
	All items	100.000	137.6	138.1	3.0	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.3
	All items 1967=100		409.9	411.4					
	Food and beverages	39.547	137.9	137.9					
	Food	31.111	137.9	137.9					
	Food at home	24.240	137.9	137.9					
	Cereals and bakery products	3.559	130.1	130.1					
	Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	3.363	132.6	132.6					
	Dairy products	2.958	134.4	134.4					
	Fruits and vegetables	2.139	132.3	132.3					
	Other food at home	2.198	132.3	132.3					
	Sugar and sweets	1.561	139.9	139.9					
	Fats and oils	1.192	140.9	140.9					
	Nonalcoholic beverages	1.561	139.9	139.9					
	Other prepared food	1.561	139.9	139.9					
	Food away from home	8.306	147.3	147.3					
	Alcoholic beverages	1.737							
	Housing	39.078	134.1	135.0					
	Shelter	31.593	134.1	135.0					
	Renters' costs	2.115	140.2	140.2					
	Rent, residential	2.078	140.2	140.2					
	Other renters' costs	0.337	138.1	138.1					
	Homeowners' costs	2.933	140.2	140.2					
	Owners' equivalent	1.222	139.9	139.9					
	Household insurance	1.222	139.9	139.9					
	Maintenance and repairs	1.099	139.9	139.9					
	Maintenance and repair services	1.099	139.9	139.9					
	Commodities	0.093	121.5	119.7					
	Fuel and other utilities	4.553	107.5	108.1					
	Fuels	1.449	107.5	108.1					
	Fuel oil and other household fuel	0.383	89.7	89.9					
	Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	3.746	112.5	116.9					
	Other utilities and public services	3.403	142.9	142.7					
	Household furnishings and operation	2.932	138.1	138.1					
	Household furnishings	1.815	138.1	138.1					
	Housekeeping supplies	1.117	138.1	138.1					
	Housekeeping services	1.016	138.1	138.1					
	Apparel and upkeep	6.092	131.8	131.8					
	Apparel commodities	5.569	131.8	131.8					
	Men's and boys' apparel	2.443	131.8	131.8					
	Women's and girls' apparel	2.126	131.8	131.8					
	Infants' and toddlers' apparel	0.999	131.8	131.8					
	Footwear	0.884	131.8	131.8					
	Other apparel commodities	1.002	131.8	131.8					
	Apparel services	0.526	131.8	131.8					
	Transportation	18.939	123.5	123.5					
	Private transportation	17.800	123.5	123.5					
	New vehicles	4.924	123.5	123.5					
	New cars	4.614	123.5	123.5					
	Used cars	0.310	123.5	123.5					
	Motor fuel	0.068	123.5	123.5					
	Gasoline	0.068	123.5	123.5					
	Maintenance and repairs	1.594	141.4	141.4					
	Other private transportation	3.173	141.4	141.4					
	Other private transportation commodities	0.856	104.2	104.0					
	Other private transportation services	4.317	140.3	140.3					
	Public transportation	1.139	140.3	140.3					
	Medical care	5.674	188.3	188.9					
	Medical care commodities	0.034	188.3	188.9					
	Medical care services	5.640	175.0	175.0					
	Professional medical services	0.735	175.0	175.0					
	Entertainment	4.027	140.5	140.5					
	Entertainment commodities	2.110	130.6	130.6					
	Entertainment services	1.917	155.2	155.0					
	Other goods and services	6.643	181.6	181.8					
	Tobacco and smoking products	2.196	121.1	121.1					
	Personal care	1.146	138.2	138.1					
	Toilet goods and personal care appliances	0.652	138.2	138.2					
	Personal care services	0.494	138.2	138.2					
	Personal and educational expenses	3.302	191.8	191.8					
	School books and supplies	2.211	188.4	188.4					
	Personal and educational services	3.091	191.8	191.8					
	Commodity and service group								
	All items	100.000	137.6	138.1					
	Commodities	48.484	137.6	138.1					
	Food and beverages	39.547	137.9	137.9					
	Commodities less food and beverages	9.937	137.9	137.9					
	Nondurables less food and beverages	1.735	137.9	137.9					
	Apparel commodities	5.569	131.8	131.8					
	Nondurables less food, beverages, and apparel	1.735	131.8	131.8					
	Durables	1.735	131.8	131.8					
	Services	17.939	140.5	140.5					
	Rent of shelter	2.115	140.2	140.2					
	Household services less rent of shelter	1.016	138.1	138.1					
	Transportation services	0.051	123.5	123.5					
	Medical care services	5.640	175.0	175.0					
	Other services	0.028	138.1	138.1					
	Special indexes								
	All items less food	60.453	137.9	137.9					
	All items less shelter	70.407	137.9	137.9					
	All items less homeowners' costs	68.192	137.9	137.9					
	All items less medical care	54.326	137.9	137.9					
	Commodities less food	30.644	137.9	137.9					
	Nondurables less food	10.031	137.9	137.9					
	Nondurables less food and apparel	8.306	137.9	137.9					
	Nondurables	3.958	137.9	137.9					
	Services less shelter	15.824	140.5	140.5					
	Services less medical care services	10.184	140.5	140.5					
	Energy	2.737	140.5	140.5					
	All items less energy	97.263	137.6	138.1					
	All items less food and energy	57.716	137.9	137.9					
	Commodities less food and energy	28.222	137.9	137.9					
	Energy commodities	2.737	140.5	140.5					
	Services less energy services	15.087	140.5	140.5					
	Purchasing power of the consumer dollar:								
	1982-84=1.00		0.727	0.726					
	1967-91=1.00		1.244	1.243					

1/ Not seasonally adjusted.
2/ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.
3/ Data not available.

NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 3. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W): U.S. city average, by expenditure category and commodity and service group

(1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-W	Seasonally adjusted indexes					Seasonally adjusted annual rate percent change for				
	Mar 1992	Apr 1992	May 1992	June 1992	Sept 1992	3 months ended Mar. 1992	June 1992	6 months ended June 1992	Sept 1992	June 1992
Expenditure category										
All items	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Food and beverages	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Food	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Food at home	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Cereals and bakery products	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Dairy products	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Fruits and vegetables	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Other food at home	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Sugar and sweets	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Fats and oils	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Alcoholic beverages	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Food away from home	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Alcoholic beverages	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Housing	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Shelter	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Renters' costs	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Rent, residential	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Other renters' costs	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Homeowners' costs	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Owners' equivalent rent	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Household insurance	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Maintenance and repair	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Maintenance and repair services	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Maintenance and repair commodities	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Fuel and other utilities	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Fuel	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Gas (piped) and electricity (energy services)	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Other utilities and public services	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Household furnishings and operation	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Household furnishings	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Housekeeping supplies	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Housekeeping services	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Apparel and upkeep	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Apparel commodities	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Men's and boys' apparel	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Women's and girls' apparel	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Infants' and toddlers' apparel	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Footwear	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Other apparel commodities	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Apparel services	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Transportation	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Private transportation	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
New vehicles	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Used cars	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Motor fuel	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Gasoline	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Maintenance and repairs	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Other private transportation	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Other private transportation commodities	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Other private transportation services	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Public transportation	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Medical care	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Medical care commodities	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Medical care services	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Professional medical services	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Entertainment	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Entertainment commodities	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Entertainment services	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Other goods and services	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Tobacco and smoking products	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Personal care	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Toiletries and personal care commodities	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Personal care services	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Personal and educational expenses	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
School books and supplies	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Personal and educational services	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Commodity and service group										
All items	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Commodities	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Food and beverages	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Commodities less food and beverages	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Non-durable less food and beverages	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Apparel commodities	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Non-durable less food, beverages, and apparel	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Durables	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Rent of shelter	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Household services less rent of shelter	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Transportation services	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Medical care services	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Other services	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Special indexes										
All items less food	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
All items less shelter	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
All items less homeowners' costs	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
All items less medical care	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Commodities less food	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Non-durable less food	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Non-durable less food and apparel	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Durables less rent of shelter	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Services less medical care services	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Energy	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
All items less energy	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
All items less food and energy	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Commodities less food and energy	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Energy commodities	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0
Services less energy services	138.7	139.1	139.5	139.8	140.1	2.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.0

1/ Not seasonally adjusted.
2/ Indexes on a December 1984=100 base.
3/ Data not available.
NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

Table 6. Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers: Selected areas, all items index (1982=100, unless otherwise noted)

CPI-W Area	Pricing schedule 1/	Indexes				Percent change to June 1992 from-			Percent change to May 1992 from-		
		Mar 1991	Apr 1991	May 1991	June 1991	June 1991	Apr 1991	May 1991	May 1991	Apr 1991	May 1991
U.S. city average	M	137.0	137.3	137.6	138.1	3.0	0.4	0.4	2.8	0.4	0.2
Region and area size 2/											
Northeast urban	M	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4
Size A - More than 1,000,000	M	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4
Size B - 500,000 to 1,000,000	M	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000	M	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4
North Central urban	M	133.3	133.3	133.3	133.3	133.3	133.3	133.3	133.3	133.3	133.3
Size A - More than 1,000,000	M	133.3	133.3	133.3	133.3	133.3	133.3	133.3	133.3	133.3	133.3
Size B - 500,000 to 1,000,000	M	133.3	133.3	133.3	133.3	133.3	133.3	133.3	133.3	133.3	133.3
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000	M	133.3	133.3	133.3	133.3	133.3	133.3	133.3	133.3	133.3	133.3
South urban	M	129.3	129.7	129.9	130.6	2.4	1.7	1.5	1.9	1.5	1.1
Size A - More than 1,000,000	M	129.3	129.7	129.9	130.6	2.4	1.7	1.5	1.9	1.5	1.1
Size B - 500,000 to 1,000,000	M	129.3	129.7	129.9	130.6	2.4	1.7	1.5	1.9	1.5	1.1
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000	M	129.3	129.7	129.9	130.6	2.4	1.7	1.5	1.9	1.5	1.1
West urban	M	133.7	134.2	134.2	134.2	1.8	0.0	0.0	2.4	1.4	0.0
Size A - More than 1,000,000	M	133.7	134.2	134.2	134.2	1.8	0.0	0.0	2.4	1.4	0.0
Size B - 500,000 to 1,000,000	M	133.7	134.2	134.2	134.2	1.8	0.0	0.0	2.4	1.4	0.0
Size C - 50,000 to 500,000	M	133.7	134.2	134.2	134.2	1.8	0.0	0.0	2.4	1.4	0.0
Size classes											
A 3/	M	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4
B	M	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4
C	M	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4
Selected local areas											
Chicago-Gary-Lake County, IL-IN-WI	M	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7
Los Angeles-Anaheim-Riverside, CA	M	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4
N.Y.-Northern N.J.-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT	M	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4
Phil.-Wilmington-Trenton, PA-NJ-DE-MD	M	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4
San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, CA	M	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4	144.4
Baltimore, MD	M	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7
Boston-Lawrence-Salem, MA-NH	M	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7
Cleveland-Akron-Lorain, OH	M	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7
Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL	M	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7
St. Louis-East St. Louis, MO-IL	M	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7
Washington, DC-MD-VA	M	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7
Dallas-Fort Worth, TX	M	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7
Detroit-Ann Arbor, MI	M	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7
Houston-Galveston-Beaumont, TX	M	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7
Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley, PA	M	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7	133.7

1/ Foods, fuels, and several other items priced every month in all areas; most other goods and services priced as indicated.

M - Every month.

1 - January, March, May, July, September, and November.

2 - February, April, June, August, October, and December.

2/ Regions are defined as the four Census regions.

Indexes on a December 1989=100 base.

Data not available.

NOTE: Local area CPI indexes are byproducts of the national CPI program. Each local index has a smaller sample size than the national index and is, therefore, subject to substantially more sampling and other measurement error. As a result, local area indexes show greater volatility than the national index, although their long-term trends are similar. Therefore, the Bureau of Labor Statistics strongly urges users to consider adopting the national average CPI for use in their escalator clauses.

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